

2025年直前講習

英語超長文読解対策



どのように取り組むか

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■べからず！！

1. 英語の字面をうわべだけ急ぎ読みし、
何が書かれているか理解していない
2. 全文をしっかりと理解しようとし、
時間がかかって読み終わらない

■英語の入試問題

70～80%わかれば、9割ねらえる！！

■こう読む！！

1. パラグラフごとに、何を**主張**したいのか、**繰り返される語や表現**を確実につかむ
2. パラグラフ**内**と**全体**の**構成**を理解する
一般⇒**主張** 全抽象⇒**具体**(**例**)
緩急をつけて読む
3. パラグラフとパラグラフの**つながり**を理解する
最初⇒前パラグラフからの**引継ぎ**
⇒**新情報**(本パラグラフの**主張**)

■コロン「:」とセミコロン「;」

- [A] : [B]
 - AをBが「説明」
- [A] ; [B]
 - AとBは等しい形（文と文、語と語など）
 - 等位接続詞
 - A and B
 - A but B
 - A or B
 - A , for B ※文と文のみ

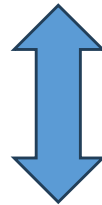


[1] It is easy to think that a new knowledge comes from new types
【一般論】
of apparatus — Galileo's telescope, Boyle's air pump, Newton's prism
【具体例】
— not from new intellectual tools. Often this is a mistaken view : in a
hundred years time the randomized clinical trial*
(streptomycin, 1948) may look much more significant than the X-ray
(1895) or even the MRI scanner (1973). New instruments are plain as
pikestaffs*; new intellectual tools are not (pikestaffs). As a result we
tend to overestimate the importance of new technology and
underestimate the rate of production and the impact of new
intellectual tools. A good example is 【具体例】

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new intellectual tools ... much more important / not plain /

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the randomized clinical trial (streptomycin, 1948)



new intellectual tools. A good example is Descartes' (①) of using letters from near the end of the alphabet (x, y, z) to represent unknown quantities in equations, or William Jones's introduction of the symbol π in 1706. Leibniz believed that the reform of mathematical symbols would improve reasoning just as effectively as the telescope had improved sight. Another example is the graph : graphs are now ubiquitous, so it comes as something of a shock to discover that they only began to be put to use in the natural sciences in the 1830s, and in the social sciences in the 1880s. The graph represents a powerful new tool for thinking. An absolutely fundamental concept, that of statistical significance*, was first propounded by Ronald Fisher in 1925. (②) it, Richard Doll would not have been able to prove, in 1950, that smoking causes lung cancer.

[2] **Physical tools** work very differently from intellectual tools.
⇔ **intellectual tools**

Physical tools enable you to **act in the world**: a saw cuts through
wood, and a hammer drives home nails. These tools are **technology-**
dependent. The screwdriver only came into existence in the
nineteenth century, when it became possible to **mass produce**
identical screws; before that the few handmade screws that were
used were turned with the tip of a knife blade.



Telescopes and microscopes depended on pre-existing techniques for making lenses, and thermometers and barometers depended on pre-existing techniques for blowing glass. Telescopes and thermometers do not change the world around them as saws and hammers do, but they change our awareness of the world. They transform our senses. Montaigne* said that people can see only with their own eyes; when they look through a telescope (which of course Montaigne never did) they still see only with their own eyes, but they see things they could never see with their unaided eyesight.

[3] Intellectual tools, by contrast, manipulate ideas, not the world.

They have (③) preconditions, not (④) preconditions. Some instruments are both physical and intellectual tools. An abacus* is a physical tool for carrying out complicated calculations; it enables you [and] to add and subtract, multiply and divide. It is perfectly material, but what it produces is a number, and a number is neither material nor immaterial. An abacus is a physical tool for performing mental work.

So too are the Arabic numerals we take for granted.

⇒ Arabic numerals, which we take for granted, are also tools for performing mental work.



So too are the Arabic numerals we take for granted. I write 10, 28, 54, not, as the Romans did, x, xxviii, liv. Arabic numerals are tools which enable me to add and subtract, multiply and divide on a piece of paper far more fluently than I could with Roman numerals. They are tools that exist as notations on the page and in my mind; like the abacus, they transform the way I operate on numbers. The number zero (unknown to the Greeks and the Romans), the decimal point (invented by Christoph Clavius in 1593), algebra, calculus: these are intellectual tools which transform what mathematicians can do.



[4] Modern science, it should now be apparent, depends on ⑤ a set of intellectual tools which are every bit as important as the abacus or algebra, but which, unlike the abacus, **do not exist as material objects**, and which, unlike Arabic numerals, algebra, or the decimal point, **do not require a particular type of inscription**. They are, **at first sight**, merely **words** (‘facts’, ‘experiments’, ‘hypotheses’, ‘theories’, ‘laws of nature’, and indeed ‘probability’); but **the words encapsulate** new ways of thinking. 「一見して」
The peculiar thing about these intellectual tools is that (unlike the intellectual tools employed by mathematicians) they are **conditional, uncertain, imperfect**; 「内包する」
yet they make possible reliable and robust knowledge. ⇒ Intellectual tools make reliable and robust knowledge possible.



They imply philosophical claims which are difficult, perhaps impossible, to defend, yet in practice they work well. They served as a passage between Montaigne's world, a world of belief and misplaced conviction, and our world, the world of reliable and effective knowledge. They explain the puzzle that we still cannot make a fistful bigger than a fist, or a stride longer than our legs can stretch, but that we can now know more than Montaigne could know. Just as the telescope improved the capacities of the eye, these tools improved the capacities of the mind.

[5] Alongside these intellectual tools we can see the emergence of a community accustomed to using them: the new language of science and the new community of scientists are two aspects of a single process, since languages are never private. What (⑥) was not just the new language, but a set of competitive and cooperative values which were expressed in the language used to describe the scientific enterprise (rather than in scientific arguments themselves), expressed in terms of discovery and progress and eventually institutionalized in eponymy*. What is striking about these intellectual tools and cultural values is that they have proved to have a history quite unlike that of paradigms.



【and】

Paradigms flourish; some then die, and others get relegated to introductory textbooks. The new language and the new values of science have now survived
パラダイムの一部が時代遅れや重要性の低下により、入門書などで紹介される基本的な知識や背景的な情報に格下げされる

textbooks. The new language and the new values of science have now survived for 300 years (500 years if we go back to their common origin in ‘discovery’), and there is nothing to suggest they are likely to go out of fashion soon. Just like algebra and calculus, ⑦these tools and these values represent acquisitions which are too powerful to be discarded, and which remain not as museum pieces but are in constant use. Why? Because the new language and culture of science still constitute (and I believe will always constitute) the basic framework within which the scientific enterprise is conducted. Their invention is part and parcel of the invention of science.

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